

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner in her communication dated March 16, 2006, required the election of a single disclosed species.

Accordingly, Applicants elect Group B; Examiner's 2, inorganic particles adhere to surface of organic particles to form a shell species. Claims 7, 9, 12 -16 read on the elected "species".

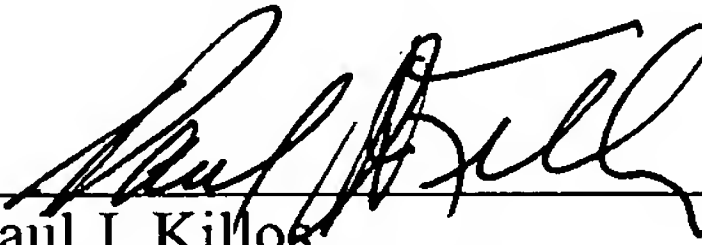
Applicants respectfully request that should the elected species be found allowable, the Examiner expand her search to include non-elected species.

Divisional applications filed thereafter claiming the non-elected species should not be subject to a double patenting ground of rejection. 35 USC 121, In re Joyce (Comr. Pats 1957) 115 USPQ 412.

Applicants submit that the above-identified application is now in condition for examination, and an early notice of such action is earnestly solicited.

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